GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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IRON ORE DEPOSITS
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the approximate deposits of iron ore in the Bailadila mines;

(b) the details of the lease holders of those mines ; and

(c) the total quantum of iron ore extracted and procured from those mines for export purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA)

(a): As per available information the total resources of iron ore in Bailadila deposits have been placed at 1135.31 million tonnes.

(b): At present, National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) holds six mining leases for iron ore in Bailadila mines over a total lease area of 5861.76 hectares. In addition to these, one prior approval for grant of mining lease for iron ore over an area of 413.74 hectares in Bailadila R.F.No.13 in favour of NMDC, one prior approval for grant of prospecting licence in favour of Essar Steel Ltd over an area of 2285 hectares in Bailadila R.F.No.3 and one prior approval for grant of prospecting licence in favour of Tata Iron & Steel Ltd over an area of 2500 hectares in Bailadila R.F.No.1 have been conveyed to the State Government.

(c): The total production of iron ore in Bailadila area during 2006-07 was of 20.45 million tonnes and the quantity exported was 2.05 million tonnes.